

## WEATHER REPORT.

Washington, D. C., January 25th.  
Forecast for Thursday: Virginia—Fair, followed by increasing cloudiness; fresh, southerly winds.  
North Carolina—Fair; light, variable winds.

## METEOROLOGICAL DATA.

Maximum Temperature..... 64  
Minimum Temperature..... 26  
Normal Temperature..... 40  
Departure from normal..... plus 10  
Departure since Jan. 1st..... plus 62  
Rainfall in last 24 hours..... .20  
Rainfall since 1st of month..... 2.26  
Mean humidity..... 73

## WEATHER.

Fair; warmer; fresh to brisk South winds.

## CALENDAR.

Sun rises, 7:11 a. m.; sets, 5:24 p. m.

## TIDES.

Norfolk: High water, 8:56 a. m., 9:23 p. m. Low water, 2:38 a. m., 3:14 p. m.  
Old Point: High water, 8:35 a. m., 9:02 p. m. Low water, 2:17 a. m., 2:53 p. m.

## DIE.

PAUL.—Yesterday morning, at 9 o'clock, Mrs. ANNIE PAUL, aged 41 years.  
Her funeral will take place at 2 o'clock THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON from her late residence, No. 302 Virginia street, Norfolk.

DAWES.—At her residence, No. 576 Bute street, Wednesday, January 25th, 1899, at 1 o'clock a. m., MRS. MARY ANN DAWES.

The funeral will take place from the above residence TO-MORROW (Friday) AFTERNOON at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

IRONMONGER.—At the residence of her son-in-law, Edward B. Teagle, 232 Chapel street, Tuesday, January 24th, at 2 o'clock p. m., MARY A. IRONMONGER, in the 71st year of her age.

The funeral will take place from the residence THIS (Thursday) MORNING, January 26th, at 11 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

**Monuments and Gravestones.**  
The selection of a suitable memorial in marble or granite can be readily made from our stock, for we carry the largest assortment of finished designs in the South.  
**THE COUPER MARBLE WORKS**  
(Established 50 Years.)  
159-163 Bank St. Norfolk, Va.

## AMUSEMENTS.

## VAN WYCK'S ACADEMY OF MUSIC

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1.  
Klaw & Erlanger and B. D. Stevens Present

## SOUSA'S GREATEST COMIC OPERA.

## THE BRIDE ELECT.

Sale of seats commences Monday.  
Entire lower floor, \$1.50; entire balcony, \$1.00. Jan 26-27.

## VAN WYCK'S ACADEMY OF MUSIC

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27TH.  
CHAS. PROHMAN presents WILLIAM GILLETTE'S WAR PLAY—

## SECRET SERVICE.

—ORIGINAL GILLETTE COMPANY—  
Prices, 25c. to \$1.50. Jan 26-27

## CONDRUM BANQUET.

Given for the benefit of Queen Street M. E. Church, corner Bank street and City Hall avenue, January 26th and 27th. Admission, 25 cents, including dinner or supper. Musical programme each night. Jan 26-27

## AUDITORIUM THEATRE.

S. E. Cor. Nebraska and Union Sts.  
J. M. HAMILTON, Prop. and Mgr.  
WILFRED HAMILTON, Assistant Director

Open every night in the year. Smoking concerts, presenting a respectable, up-to-date Vaudeville entertainment.

Matinee, Tuesday, 2:30 p. m. and 8 p. m. Evening performances continuous from 8 till 12. Admission, 10, 15 and 25c. Jan 26-27

## MEETINGS.

Norfolk, Va., January 23, 1899.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE NORFOLK AND OCEAN VIEW RAILWAY COMPANY

will be held at the general offices of the company, this city, on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, 1899, at 10 a. m.

WALTER H. DOYLE, Secretary.

Norfolk, Va., January 23, 1899.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE NORFOLK STREET RAILROAD COMPANY

will be held at the general offices of the company, this city, on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7th, 1899, at 12 m.

H. C. WHITEHEAD, Secretary.

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## STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING OF THE

This company will be held in the office of D. Lowenberg, room 40 Columbia Building, on THURSDAY, February 24, 1899, at 12:30 p. m.

## NORFOLK KNITTING AND COTTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY.

D. LOWENBERG, Its President.

Norfolk, Va., January 16th, 1899.

## THE LAW FIRM OF VENABLE &amp; McILWAIN

is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Each member of the firm will continue the practice of law on his own account, and until further notice can be found in the offices heretofore occupied by them, W. H. VENABLE and RICHARD McILWAIN, JR., Jan 26-27

## HAVE YOU TRIED

## LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE

—FOR—

## LA GRIPPE!

ITS A WINNER.

FOR SALE AT

Trotter's Drug Store,

588 Main street, cor. Church.

## MUSIC CULTURE.

MR. EUGENE F. MARKS, organist of the Freemason Street Baptist Church, is prepared to give instructions in piano playing, organ, and technique according to the method of the celebrated concert pianist, Teresa Carreno; Voice Culture, Leipzig conservatory method; and composition. For terms and testimonials call on or address No. 230 Freemason street, corner Brewer. Special rates made for beginners in instrumental music. de 25-1m

## DAIRYMEN.

DAIRY TRADE ARE INVITED TO inspect our new MILK FEED. Unsurpassed by anything offered to the trade for producing milk. Price below competition. Michigan Green Clover Hay for Milk Cows also.

D. P. REID & BRO.

## ANOTHER SKELETON FOUND

## Exhuming Human Bones on Post Office Lot.

## Much Speculation as to Where the Bodies Came From—Could They Have Been Victims of Murder—Most Likely Doctors "Subjects."

Another skeleton was found yesterday.

The finding of human skeletons in the excavating for the new postoffice building, at Plum and Atlantic streets, was the subject of a great deal of gossip yesterday, and hundreds of people visited the scene of the burial place of the unknown and forgotten dead. Mr. Samuel H. Weaver, superintendent of the construction of the new government building, was kept busy a portion of the day answering questions and the office of the Virginian-Pilot had many callers to see the skull of the woman who many years ago furnished a subject for medical and surgical investigation and research.

Many theories have been offered as to where the bodies came from, but it is more than likely that the deduction drawn in the report published in the Virginian-Pilot, that the skeletons were originally some physicians "subjects," is the correct analysis of the case.

## MAY HAVE BEEN MURDERS.

One old resident said that they might have been murders, as many years ago a bar-room with questionable reputation was located near the scene of the ghastly finds, and that report had it that many "queer" incidents were known to have happened there. Of course this was merely a supposition and there was absolutely no proof that foul play had been done.

Another thought that they were possibly the victims of disease, but, of course, there could be no foundation for such an idea, because had they been the bodies of people dying from contagious disease the authorities would have seen to it that the bodies would have been properly buried.

## CERTAINLY DOCTORS "SUBJECTS."

The consensus of opinion was that the bodies were certainly doctors "subjects." This is borne out by the fact that operations had surely been performed on the heads of two of the "subjects." It is thought the skeletons have been in the ground at least forty or fifty years. It is said that a physician once had his office near this corner, and that a light was often seen in his house long after most people had gone to bed. Whether he had anything to do with these "dissections" or important graves will possibly never be known. This is the most plausible solution to the mystery.

## ANOTHER SKELETON FOUND.

The diggers unearthed another skeleton yesterday near where the others were found. Mr. Weaver thinks this was a man's skull, because it appears to be thicker than that of the one previously dug up. The head to this "subject" had not been operated upon. Mr. Weaver also thinks, on account of the thickness of the skull, that it was a negro's. The body bones were not so well preserved as those previously found.

Mr. Weaver says that his remarks yesterday to the effect that he knew the skull to be that of a woman, because she had so much much, did not in any way apply to women of the present day.

## AMUSEMENTS.

## "SECRET SERVICE"

Another large audience will see "Secret Service" at the Academy of Music Friday night, the sale of seats, which opened yesterday morning, was very large. The company this year is a first-class one, being in fact the original, with the exception of Mr. Gillette, who has retired, his part being played by Mr. Bryan Douglas, an actor well known to theatre goers. Prices, \$1.50, \$1.00, 50c and 25c.

## "THE MOTH AND THE FLAME"

This play will be seen in this city at the Academy of Music next Monday and Tuesday evening. It will be presented by Mr. Herbert Kealey and Miss Edith Shannon. A dramatic treat is promised. The charm of the play, it is said, lies in its apparent naturalness, and in its utter lack of strained or impossible situations. The climaxes are dramatic and the scenes are cleverly constructed and exquisitely maintained by the well-balanced company. Sale of seats commences Friday morning. Prices, \$1.50, \$1.00, 50c and 25c.

## Parlor Social.

There will be a parlor social at the residence of Mrs. E. M. Allen, No. 33 Queen street, to-night, given under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

The object of the entertainment is most worthy, and as it promises to be a very pleasant affair there will no doubt be a large crowd in attendance.

The following is the program:  
Opening prayer—Rev. E. B. Hatcher.  
Soprano solo—(Selected) Miss Estelle Butt.  
Exercises by Norfolk College Kindergarten.  
Soprano solo—(Selected) Miss Fannie Powell.  
Widow Redott—Miss Nellie Hill and Mr. Walter Edmonds.  
Soprano solo—Miss Alice Bancroft.  
Recitation—Miss Ellen Morgan.  
Solo—Mrs. W. W. Freeman.

## Lecture and Concert.

The ladies of Salem Baptist Church will give two entertainments, a lecture to-night, and a supper to-morrow night, at Ocean View, for the benefit of the church. They are making great preparations to insure the success of both occasions.

Returning, a train will leave Ocean View at 10:30 o'clock p. m., for the benefit of those who may attend from the city. Everybody is invited.

## A "Condrum Banquet"

The young ladies connected with the Queen Street M. E. Church will hold a "Condrum Banquet" in the vacant store at the corner of City Hall avenue and Bank street to-day and to-morrow. The ladies in charge of this enterprise are working strenuously to raise funds to pay off a church obligation, and their efforts in this direction are praiseworthy. There will be several pleasing features connected with the banquet that will make the occasion of special interest to all who

may attend. An elegant dinner or supper will be served at a moderate charge.

## Fire Alarm Yesterday.

The alarm of fire at 11:57 o'clock yesterday was caused by the burning of three bales of cotton in one of the warehouses of the Consolidated Compress Company. The fire is thought to be of incendiary origin, as it was discovered in two different places—one baled out on the wharf and two in the warehouse. The flames were extinguished with buckets of water. The National Board of Marine Underwriters, with headquarters at New York, have offered a reward of \$1,000 for the conviction of any one who sets fire to cotton.

A still alarm of fire at 8 o'clock last night was caused by the burning of a chimney on Newton street.

## Death of Mrs. Mary A. Dawes.

Mrs. Mary Ann Dawes, a venerable and respected lady, died at her home, No. 376 Bute street, at 1 o'clock a. m. yesterday, after a lingering illness, which she bore with Christian resignation. She is survived by three children—Mr. George H. Dawes, Mrs. Rutter and Miss Josephine Dawes. The obsequies will be held from the residence at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon and will be conducted by her pastor, Rev. M. B. Wharton, D. D., of the Freemason Street Baptist Church.

## An Unimproved Square.

There is a square of unimproved thoroughfare extending from Water street to Nelson street, which Mr. H. N. Page and other property owners in the vicinity wish the city to pave with Belgian block. There is a doubt as to the city's rights in this property, therefore it has never been improved. A petition will be presented to the Councils at the next meeting, asking for the improvement.

## Marriage Anniversary Celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Aronheim will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of their marriage at their residence, No. 163 Fenchurch street, to-day, when they will be at home to receive their friends. Among their guests will be Mr. Ludwig Aronheim, of New York, and Mr. Isidore Rudwig, of Middleton, N. J.

## UNITED CHARITIES

## What it is Doing For the Poor of Norfolk.

Feeding Many Poor Families—Supplies Issued Weekly—Was Organized in 1884 With Captain John L. Roper President.

The United Charities, a non-sectarian organization, formed to assist needy and deserving persons, is doing a glorious work for the poor of this city.

Many an unfortunate woman with children to support would be unable to carry the burdens of life, but for the comfort bestowed by this good society.

## FEEDING MANY PERSONS.

A representative of the Virginian-Pilot called on Captain John L. Roper, the president, at his office yesterday, and asked if he demands upon the society are as heavy this year as they were last year.

Captain Roper said that they were not, "but," said he, "the society is supplying 160 families. These people are given food, fuel and clothing, and sometimes money."

## SUPPLIED WEEKLY.

Mrs. A. E. Goodridge is assistant secretary, and supervises the distribution of goods, which is made in weekly allowances. Mrs. A. E. Hare is the society's visitor. This lady goes to the homes of the suffering and distressed ones, and with her goes joy and comfort. She by personal inspection ascertains the needs of all persons who apply for assistance, and upon her recommendation the supplies are furnished.

## ORGANIZED IN 1884.

The United Charities was organized fifteen years ago, with Captain John L. Roper as president. The late Colonel George Tait was treasurer, and the duties of this position received a large part of his time and attention.

At the last annual meeting Mr. James Tait was elected treasurer to succeed his father, Mr. H. L. Page is secretary.

Captain Roper has been at the head of this society from its organization to the present.

## FORTY THOUSAND GIVEN AWAY.

The revenues are secured from membership fees and contributions, and the total amount distributed since 1884, the year of its organization, is about \$10,000.

How are your finances? the reporter asked. To this question Captain Roper answered that the society is always in need of money.

## An Heretic Little Sufferer.

Jimmie Stapleton, the 6-year-old son of Mrs. Teresa Stapleton, of No. 81 Plum street, has for sixteen weeks been an inmate of St. Vincent de Paul's Hospital, undergoing treatment for a diseased ankle. It became necessary to send him to the hospital for treatment and nursing that operations have been performed upon his ankle, and he bore the ordeal with an heroism that would serve as a lesson for many adults. Jimmie is now able to move around his room, and his mother hopes to have him with her again in a short while.

## An Important Difference.

To make it apparent to thousands, who think themselves ill, that they are not afflicted with any disease, but that the system simply needs cleansing, is to bring comfort home to their hearts, as a cative condition, is easily cured by using Syrup of Figs. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, and sold by all druggists.

## A New Steamer Purchased.

It is rumored that a new steamer has been purchased by the Ocean View, Willoughby Spit and Old Point route for the improvement of the service between Old Point and Willoughby Spit. It is said that the name adopted for the new steamer is the "Vigilant" and that she will be brought here from the Hudson River, on which she has been plying.

## Profitable Home Dyeing.

## Diamond Dyes Make Handsome, Unfading Colors.

## A Few Dimes Will Save Many Dollars.

In nearly every home there are faded and unfashionable dresses and coats that can be dyed with Diamond Dyes so they will look as good as new. Suits for the boys can be made from the father's partly worn clothes, and then colored with Diamond Dyes to look like new, while dresses and jackets can be made for the girls with little work or expense.

Many women dress their families in handsome, fashionable clothing at a comparatively small expense, thanks to Diamond Dyes.

Diamond Dyes are put up specially for home use, and the directions on each package are so plain that even the inexperienced can get beautiful and unfading colors by using these dyes. They color anything from ribbons, feathers and waists to the heaviest coats and dresses.

There are some fifty colors in the list of Diamond Dyes, making all the fashionable shades. Be sure to use only the Diamond, as they are the only dyes that have stood the test of years and that can be depended upon for successful home dyeing.

ing, and is now frozen up there, as soon as the weather opens. The new vessel is reported to have excellent saloon accommodations and is supplied with an electric plant and cost \$30,000. When she is put on the line here the present steamer, Granite City, will be used as a relief boat.

## Publications Received.

Scribner's Magazine—The February number of this monthly has been received from the publishers. Its contents embrace "The Rough Riders," "Four National Conventions," "The Chronicles of Aunt Minerva Ann," "The Letters of Robert Louis Stevenson," "The Lepers: a Tale of South Africa," "The Second Part of the Serial, The Entomologist," and "William Makepeace Thackeray." Price, 25 cents.

## CITY BRIDGE WORK

## York Street Bridge Contractor Not Yet Bonded.

Work Expected to Begin Soon—Ghent Street Bridge and Elevation—Holt Street Free Bridge Scheme.

City Engineer Brooke was asked yesterday when would work begin on the York street bridge.

He said that the contract had been given to one of the best companies in the United States, but he could not say when they would begin operations. They have not given the required bond of \$25,000 yet. There is no doubt about this being done. "You know I have their check, which was given as an evidence of good faith, and if they don't give the bond the city will make that much money."

Mr. Brooke has faith in the Edge-moore Company, and believes that the bridge will be constructed as soon as possible.

## THE GHENT BRIDGE.

The Councils have not yet taken action on the report of City Engineer Brooke, in which he says that the Ghent bridge is in bad condition, and should be repaired before it becomes dangerous. Mr. Brooke stated that the structure could be put in proper condition for \$6,000. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee, which will report at the next meeting and recommend that the money be voted.

Mr. Brooke said that he could do nothing till action was taken by the Councils.

## QUEEN STREET BRIDGE.

A special committee of the Council met a committee from the Brambleton Improvement Board last night and agreed to build a bridge and make improvements on Queen street, Brambleton Ward to bear one-half of the cost.

The street will be raised eight feet and this improvement, with the bridge, will cost \$10,000.

The committee met last month, but could not agree upon the proportion of cost Brambleton should pay.

Mr. Sterling thought it would be well for him to confer with his association, the Brambleton Board, before pledging the ward to the payment of \$1,500, and at his instance final action was deferred till last night.

When the gentlemen met last night with Mr. Cooke in the chair, Mr. Reil, of the Brambleton Board, reported that the ward would pay as her part one-half the cost.

It was then decided to report to the Councils, advising that the improvements be made.

The expenditure of this money is said to be absolutely necessary, because whenever there is high water Queen street is flooded by water from Mather's Lake, which obstructs traffic and injures business and property in the vicinity.

## HOLT-STREET BRIDGE.

The Common Council will meet in two weeks, and will concur with the Select Council in voting \$5,000 for the Holt-street bridge.

There is not the slightest doubt but that the Common Council will approve the purchase of the bridge. It will be remembered that a resolution was adopted by this branch of the council, offering \$5,000, which offer was refused when first made. The bridge is in excellent condition, and will not require any important repairs for several years.

## STREET PAVING NOTES.

## CHAPEL STREET IMPROVEMENT—NEW PAVEMENT DESIRED.

The work on Chapel street is progressing well. The foundation for the vitrified brick has been completed to Queen street. When Chapel street is finished it will be one of the best paved streets in Norfolk.

There is some doubt as to the durability of brick on streets used for heavy traffic, but the advocates of brick claim that it will last almost as long as stone.

## TEMPLES OF EQUITY

## Record of Court Proceedings For One Day.

## Justice Tomlin Has a Very Short Docket—Clerk Royster is Kept Busy—The Webb-Munro Damage Suit—The Other Cases.

Justice Tomlin came upon the bench yesterday morning as happy as a boy with a new tune, and he dispensed equity as rapidly as a first-class druggist dealing out quinine pills.

It is exceedingly strange how quickly in this precarious life of ours the scenes change, and the things that were mysteries yesterday to-day are deduced into transparency, while what to-day would appear as plain and simple as the thoughts of some people to-morrow cannot be accounted for.

Even the weather is subjected to these differences, and while yesterday our flannels clung to us like gauze in the summer to-day we feel as though we have no flannels on, and shiver and chatter while wrapped in an overcoat.

## THE TALIAN MAN.

George Zalley, Joseph Norducci and George Bailey, supposed to be natives of sunny Italy, day before yesterday were happy in the pursuit of pushing peanut carts. Yesterday they were unhappy prisoners at the bar of stern justice, with two alternatives before them—pay-up or go to jail! They were charged with obstructing the streets and not complying with the city ordinance that says they "must keep moving."

The push-cart fraternity have been frequently warned, have been lightly fined in the court, but patience has ceased to be a virtue with Hissoner, and yesterday he fined the men \$5 and cost each.

Monroe Parkham, colored, wanted in Petersburg for felony; held for the authorities of that city.

Lelia Wharton, colored, larceny of cigars, valued at forty cents, the property of Saloonkeeper J. S. B. Anderson; \$5 and costs.

James Alexandria, suspicion of the larceny of a bicycle; continued until next Monday.

## BUSINESS OF CLERK'S OFFICE.

In the Clerk's office yesterday the following deeds were entered to record:

W. J. Baxter, Jr., et ux, to A. M. Mansfield, a lot and improvements on the south side of Ohio street, Brambleton Ward; \$750.

Anna R. Taylor to Isabel Holmes Perkins, a lot and improvements at the northwest corner of Colley and Camp avenues, Atlantic City Ward; \$2,400.

Mrs. Thomas J. Hoggard to James G. Riddick, four lots with improvements, beginning at the southwest intersection of Henry and Charles streets; \$7,500.

The Park Place Company to J. W. Sparrow, a lot fronting twenty-five feet on the south side of Twentieth street; \$275.

## DEED OF ASSIGNMENT.

A deed of assignment from W. T. White, conducting the grocery business at No. 325 Maltby avenue, Brambleton, to P. J. Morris, trustee, was admitted to record in the Clerk's Office yesterday afternoon. The only preferred creditors named after provision for the execution of the trust are the Reuben Grocery Company for \$10 and Hobbs & Keeling for \$5.50. Liabilities less than \$200.

## SEVERAL SUITS INSTITUTED.

In the Law and Chancery Court yesterday the following suits were instituted:

C. W. B. Lane, administrator de bonis non with the will annexed of Elizabeth Benson, vs. W. F. Moore and Theodore S. Garnett, administrators of the estate of John R. Ludlow, deceased, in chancery.

The J. W. Perry Company, assignee of M. N. Alexander, and